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## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (currently amended) An apparatus for performing a pilot synchronization operation in a wireless communication system, the apparatus comprising:

a plurality of sliding correlators that each receives a portion of a received correlation sequence and provides a partial correlation output;

a plurality of absolute value blocks that take <u>only</u> a respective absolute value of each partial correlation output; and

circuitry that combines the absolute values of each of the absolute value outputs to form a correlation output;

wherein a linear relation of between each of the respective absolute values for each partial correlation output is used to perform pilot synchronization in the presence of a large frequency offset.

- 2. (original) The apparatus set forth in claim 1, wherein each of the plurality of sliding correlators receives a portion of a stored correlation sequence for comparison to the portion of the received correlation sequence.
- 3. (original) The apparatus set forth in claim 1, wherein the correlation output comprises a correlation peak.
- 4. (previously presented) The apparatus set forth in claim 3, wherein the correlation peak corresponds to a primary synchronization channel.
- 5. (previously presented) The apparatus set forth in claim 3, wherein the correlation peak corresponds to a secondary synchronization channel.
- 6. (original) The apparatus set forth in claim 1, wherein the apparatus comprises a portion of a code division multiple access receiver.
- 7. (original) The apparatus set forth in claim 1, wherein the apparatus comprises a portion of a receiver that complies with the Universal Mobile Telecommunications System ("UMTS") Wideband Code Division Multiple Access ("WCDMA") standard.

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8. (original) The apparatus set forth in claim 1, wherein the apparatus comprises at least a portion of a cell search block.

9. (currently amended) A code division multiple access ("CDMA") receiver, comprising:

an analog-to-digital converter that receives a CDMA signal and converts the CDMA signal into a digital signal:

a matched filter that filters the digital signal to produce a filtered digital signal;

a tapped delay line that receives the filtered digital signal and produces a delayed filtered digital signal; and

a cell search block, comprising:

a plurality of sliding correlators that each receives at least a portion of the delayed filtered digital signal and provides a partial correlation output;

an absolute value block that takes <u>only</u> the absolute value of each partial correlation output; and

circuitry that combines the absolute values of the absolute value block to form a correlation output;

wherein a linear relation of <u>between each of</u> the <u>respective</u> absolute values for each partial correlation output is used to determine synchronization channel timing in the presence of a large frequency offset.

- 10. (original) The CDMA receiver set forth in claim 9, wherein each of the plurality of sliding correlators receives a portion of a stored correlation sequence for comparison to the portion of the received correlation sequence.
- 11. (original) The CDMA receiver set forth in claim 9, wherein the correlation output comprises a correlation peak.
- 12. (previously presented) The CDMA receiver set forth in claim 11, wherein the correlation peak corresponds to a primary synchronization channel.
- 13. (previously presented) The CDMA receiver set forth in claim 11, wherein the correlation peak corresponds to a secondary synchronization channel.
- 14. (original) The CDMA receiver set forth in claim 9, wherein the apparatus comprises a portion of a code division multiple access receiver.

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15. (original) The CDMA receiver set forth in claim 9, wherein the CDMA receiver complies with the Universal Mobile Telecommunications System ("UMTS") Wideband Code Division Multiple Access ("WCDMA") standard.

16. (currently amended) A method for forming a correlation output in a wireless communication system, the method comprising:

receiving a correlation sequence to produce a received correlation sequence;

segmenting the received correlation sequence into a plurality of partial correlation sequences;

comparing each partial correlation sequence to a portion of a stored correlation sequence;

producing a partial correlation output based on the comparison of each partial correlation sequence to the corresponding stored correlation sequence;

determining <u>only</u> the absolute value of each partial correlation output; and

combining the absolute values of each of the partial correlation outputs to form a correlation output;

wherein a linear relation of between each of the respective absolute values for each partial correlation output is used to perform correlation in the presence of a large frequency offset.

- 17. (original) The method set forth in claim 16, comprising identifying a correlation peak in the correlation output.
- 18. (previously presented) The method set forth in claim 17, comprising identifying a primary synchronization channel based on the correlation peak.
- 19. (previously presented) The method set forth in claim 17, comprising identifying a secondary synchronization channel based on the correlation peak.
- 20. (original) The method set forth in claim 16, wherein the recited acts are performed in the recited order.